

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.	:	10/056,136	Confirmation No. 2328
Applicant	:	Nobuyuki Tatsumi	
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TC/A.U.	:	1743	
Examiner	:	Brian R. Gordon	
Title	:	AUTOMATIC SAMPLER AND NEEDLE FOR THE SAME	
Docket No.	:	NGB-12930	
Customer No.	:	040854	

**AMENDMENT "E"**

(In response to Paper No. Mail Date: 20060420)

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated April 27, 2006.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.